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Ch.9 - The Executive Branch and the Federal Bureaucracy

After reading the chapter, fully answer the prompts using complete sentences.

1. According to Max Weber, what features characterize a model bureaucracy?
2. Describe the spoils system, the merit system, and how the government shifted from one to the other.
3. Describe how the Federal Government has grown since 1900.
4. Who are the bureaucrats?
5. Describe the following: 1) Government Corporations, 2) Independent Executive Agencies, and 3) Independent Regulatory Commissions.
6. What is an Iron Triangle, and how does it work?
7. Describe how the three branches of the Federal government can control the bureaucracy?
8. List the 15 Cabinet departments and their current Secretaries.

Define the following terms.

1. Appropriation
2. Bureaucracy
3. Discretionary authority
4. Freedom of Information Act
5. Open Meeting Law
6. National Environmental Policy Act
7. Oversight
8. Red tape
9. Trust fund
10. Whistleblower Protection Act